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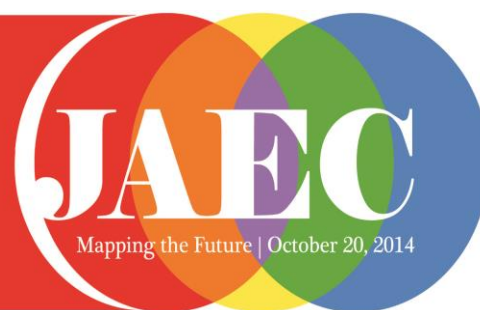
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Welcome to the October 2014 edition of Arts Education E-news! This newsletter is created by the Arizona Department of Education for updates on arts education happenings in Arizona and across the country.

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JOINT ARTS EDUCATION CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 20, 2014 – FINAL CHANCE TO REGISTER! COME SEE THE FIRST DRAFTS OF NEW ARIZONA ARTS STANDARDS!

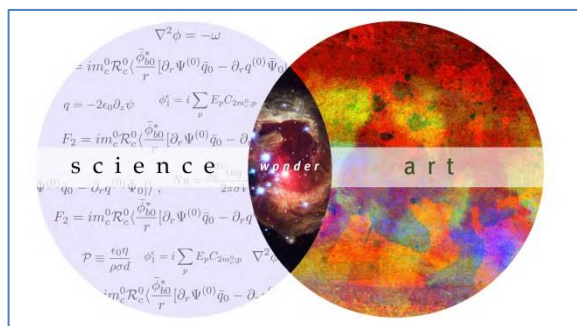


Join the **Arizona Commission on the Arts** and the **Arizona Department of Education** on **Monday, October 20, 2014** for a day of professional development focused on arts education. How can you support high quality arts education in your school and community? How is arts learning impacted by Arizona's College and Career Ready

Standards? What do revisions to Arizona's Arts Standards look like? Join your colleagues, along with Keynote Speakers, [John Abodeely](#), Deputy Director of the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities and [Mary Leuhrs](#), Executive Director of The NAMM Foundation, to explore these topics and learn how students, schools and communities DO benefit from learning in and through the arts.

The registration cost the entire day is \$120. Sign up now and be part of the day and encourage other arts educators at your school to join you! This is a great way to accrue any needed professional development hours! To learn more and to register, click [here](#). **Hurry!** Spaces are starting to fill up – and we want to be able to include **you** in this day-long focus on arts education!

2014-2015 STUDENT ARTWORK COMPETITION: THE ART OF SCIENCE – ENTRIES DUE END OF MONTH!



The Arizona Department of Education is proud to sponsor our 4th Annual Student Artwork Competition. Our 2014-2015 Theme: **The Art of Science**. Entries are due **October 30 – November 7, 2014**.

You can find the guidelines and rules for the 2014-2015 Competition online [here](#). 2013-2014 Student Artwork is still on display at the Department's buildings in Flagstaff, Phoenix and Tucson. Thanks again for sharing your

students' fabulous work with our employees!

UPDATES FROM ARIZONA'S PROFESSIONAL ARTS EDUCATION SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Arizona Art Education Association – <http://www.azarted.org/>

Registration is now open for The Value of Art annual AAEA conference, November 6-8 in Tempe. Click [here](#) to go straight to the registration page. To learn more about the conference and all its offerings, read the [Fall newsletter](#) of AAEA! Join your colleagues for this great weekend of art making, art learning and renewal.

New Opportunity – help field test new National Board Certification protocols for visual arts educators!

Click [here](#) for more information and the link to sign up! Participants will come away with:

- The choice of receiving a \$25 Gift Card to either Amazon.com or Powell's Books upon successful completion of each online testing appointment.
- Eligibility to receive up to two Continuing Education Units (CEUs) or one graduate credit.
- A letter of commendation from the National Board.



Arizona Dance Education Organization – www.azdeo.org

Grand Canyon University Dance Invitionals

October 17, January 16, February 20, March 6, March 27, April 10 Spend the day with GCU Dance Education majors! Our invitionals present a chance for 32 of your juniors and seniors to visit our campus. Students have opportunity to take class with GCU Dance faculty, meet current dance majors, and take a campus tour. GCU enrollment representatives will also be present to explain what it takes to become a 'Lope. Reserve your spot right away as it is first-come, first-serve. Two or three groups may be combined to accommodate more students. GCU will provide lunch and reimbursement for up to \$150 of your transportation costs. Register online at <http://www.gcu.edu/GCU-Dance-Invitionals.php>. Contact dance@gcu.edu for more information.

14th Annual Tucson Dance Showcase

It is with great pleasure to cordially invite you to perform in our 14th Annual Tucson Dance Showcase. The performance dates for this showcase will be Thursday, November 13th and Friday, November 14th, 2014, 6:00 pm in the Flowing Wells High School Auditorium. Each piece may perform one or both nights. Dancers will be required to attend a full tech-dress rehearsal Monday, November 10th and Wednesday, November 12th, between 3:30-10:00 pm (by appointment), to set lighting and technicalities. Please email Marquez Johnson at Marquez.Johnson@fwusd.org to set up a time for dress rehearsal.

Arizona Music Educators Association – www.azmea.org



Help shape the 2015 AMEA Winter conference, February 5-7, 2015 in Mesa, AZ by putting in a session proposal. [Click here](#) to access the online submission form. This year's theme is **Looking to the Future**. **DEADLINE to submit: October 15** – so submit now!

Read the [Fall 2014 Arizona Music News](#) – available online!

Have ideas on leadership for AMEA and its constituent organizations? Interested in serving as leader yourself? Nominations are now open - [AMEA/ABODA/ACE Officer Nominations due December 1st](#).

Congratulations to 34 Arizona music educators selected as "Official Candidates" for the 2015 Music Educator Award given by The Grammy Foundation and The Recording Academy. The award recognizes current music teachers who have made a significant and lasting contribution to the field of music education. One Arizona teacher is now a semi-finalist for this award – Richard Maxwell at Arcadia High School in Scottsdale! <http://www.grammyintheschools.com/programs/grammy-music-educator-award>

Arizona State Thespians - <http://arizonathespians.com/>

AZ Thespians is now accepting presenter applications as they prepare for the **November 21-22 state festival** in downtown Phoenix. Interested in proposed a session? Click [here](#) for more information and the registration process.

AZ Thespians has launched a new website! Click on the link above and browse the new site with great resources for you, your students and your parents.

OPPORTUNITIES FROM ARIZONA COMMISSION ON THE ARTS

Register for Poetry Out Loud!

Poetry Out Loud (POL) is a national poetry recitation contest that provides free classroom materials for teachers and scholarship opportunities for students. POL is open to all Arizona students, grades 9-12.



Registration for the 2014-2015 season will be open through October 24, 2014. Learn more about POL and register your school online at www.azarts.gov/pol.

Interested but want to learn more? The **University of Arizona's Poetry Center** will be conducting workshops for teachers interested in learning more about Poetry Out Loud. [Click here](#) for the details. Workshop dates, times and locations:

OCTOBER 11 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM at the UA Poetry Center 1508 E. Helen Street, Tucson, AZ

NOVEMBER 8 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM at the Ellis-Shackleford House, 1242 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, AZ

OPPORTUNITIES FROM ARIZONA'S ARTS AND EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONS



Act One provides field trips to performing and visual arts experiences to Title 1 students in Maricopa and Pima counties. Tickets to the show or exhibit, bus transportation and educational materials are all included, all for \$1 per person. Please visit <http://www.act1az.org/field-trips> for more information and to download the field trip calendar.

Arts Integration Intensives

Arts Integration Solutions will present two *Embody Learning* trainings during the month of October. *Embody Learning* is a universal teaching and learning strategy for Pre-K through High School teachers that integrates the AZ College and Career Ready content (math, English language arts), the arts and a broad range of relevant subjects such as science, social studies, nutrition, the environment, health and economics, physical education, civics and geography, local and global cultures. Trainings will take place in [Flagstaff on October 4, 2014](#) and [Tempe on October 18, 2014](#). Continuing Education Units are available.

ASU GAMMAGE - Dance Theatre of Harlem - an iconic American ballet troupe based in New York City Friday, Oct. 24 10:30am-11:30am

ASU Gammage is proud welcome back Dance Theatre of Harlem, an iconic American ballet troupe based in New York City. Shortly after the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. the Dance Theatre of Harlem was founded based on the goals to start a school, in Harlem, in which students could learn about dance and other art forms arts. In addition to the encompassing performance group and education center, Dance Theatre of Harlem also has a national and international education and community outreach program, Dancing Through Barriers. Each piece commits to bringing the arts to the lives of adults and children alike. Dance Theater of Harlem is an unparalleled institution in the world of dance not only in this country, but around the world.

Download a registration form at: <http://asugammage.com/cultural-participation/performances-for-students>

2015 Gifted Conference Program Cover Contest

We are looking for Arizona students in grades K-12 to design the Arizona Association for the Gifted and Talented's program cover for the 2015 Annual Gifted Conference. DEADLINE: October 31, 2014.

The cover design must include the following information...

- 41st Annual Arizona Gifted and Talented Conference
- Black Canyon Conference Center
- Thursday, February 5th and Friday, February 6th, 2015
- Advancing Gifted Education

Additional information:

- Color is best, but black and white submissions are accepted
- Graphic art designs and photographic submissions are encouraged
- Submissions should be in .jpg format and in 8.5 x 11 size
- The deadline is Friday, October 31st, 2014
- Please submit the submission form (download below) along with your design to officemanager@azgifted.com.
- Make the subject one of your email "2015 Cover Contest"

To download the submission form, please click [HERE](#). Good luck!

Vote For Your Favorite K-12 Public School From Now Until October 31!

KRIS wine and Americans for the Arts have teamed up to help support arts education through the Art of Education contest. Now in its 5th year, the contest awards 16 schools in the US a total of \$25,000 in grants to improve academic achievement through quality arts education. [Read more.](#)

Wanted: High School Art Students!

Phoenix, Arizona August, 2014 – smART, a permanent collection of the best high school art is being launched by smallMatters, a community nonprofit, to identify and celebrate the creative excellence within local young artists. Our goal is to collaborate with educators, parents and local art lovers to prepare, exhibit and sustain the collection. smART currently has ten pieces in its collection and expects to add many more pieces. But, we need your help to transform this youth program into a sustainable community asset. We expect to exhibit these treasures throughout the community – in schools, galleries, businesses, churches, hospitals, and private homes.

Learn more about smART by contacting Roy Allen at 602-327-6312 or via email at artisanfoodguild@gmail.com.

AZ Opera offers STUDENT NIGHT AT THE OPERA

At the final dress rehearsal for each mainstage opera, special tickets are available at a reduced price (and free for Title I schools). These nights are reserved specifically for students to get swept away by great music and powerful stories- while enhancing classroom learning with pre and post-show presentations that connect to language arts curriculum. This year, we are offering four wonderful operas, including the world's first mariachi opera!

Cruzar la Cara de la Luna	October 9th, 2014 (Symphony Hall, Phoenix)
Rigoletto	November 13th, 2014 (Symphony Hall, Phoenix)
The Magic Flute	February 25th, 2015 (Symphony Hall, Phoenix)
Daughter of the Regiment	April 8th, 2015 (Symphony Hall, Phoenix)

Visit <http://azopera.org/student-dress/> to book tickets now and please let us know if you have any further questions!

Ballet Arizona is pleased to offer Swan Lake, The Nutcracker, and the US premiere of Napoli

for our student matinees this season. *Please don't forget that we have special allowances for Title One schools.* Find the reservation form and more information on all of our offerings click [here](#).

We also have our in-classroom presentation called **Class Warm Up** partnered with **Grand Canyon University** teaching candidates. We bring a presentation on the ballet and an arts integration lesson to your classroom for FREE. It is an added benefit to attending the student matinee.



The Freedom Center's mission is to reveal stories about freedom's heroes from the era of the Underground Railroad to contemporary times, challenging and inspiring everyone to take courageous steps towards freedom today. As the nation celebrates the 50th anniversary of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, we ask your students to create an artwork about what freedom means to them. We hope that by encouraging students to participate in this competition, they will become passionate advocates for freedom and equality today.

By drawing connections from the Underground Railroad to the Civil Rights Movement, the Picture Freedom Art Competition offers a unique opportunity that challenges students to reflect upon the rich and historical heritage of the fight for freedom and human rights. We encourage students to create original works of art; drawings, paintings, or photographs that convey their own vision of freedom and equality today. While it is not required, works of art can be inspired by freedom fighters, events, or places that resonate with the student's vision. Students that submit an entry are eligible to win these prizes. The top twelve (12) artists will have their work displayed in the upcoming Picture Freedom exhibition at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center. The top three (3) artists will receive airfare and accommodations to attend the exhibition's grand opening in February 2015. Additionally, the top three (3) artists will receive an award of \$1,000.00 for 2nd place, \$2,000.00 for 1st place and \$3,500.00 for the grand prize. Visit www.freedomcenter.org/picturefreedom for more details.

RESTORE  **ARTS**

Recycled Musical Instrument Program Back by Popular

Demand!

Restore Arts has accepted the challenge of continuing the successful “**Old Instruments - New Life**” musical instrument recycling program that ended when **Ear Candy Charities** merged with a national nonprofit. **Restore Arts** primary mission is to reestablish the effort to collect unused instruments and connect them with music classrooms and programs that are in need. Educators know music influences all aspects of learning. To that end the following support is available:

- Finding requested instruments – for your classroom or for a student.
- Repairing instruments – Assisting in the logistics and cost of repairing your current instrument inventory through collaborations with the arts community.
- Showcasing Talent – **Restore Arts** will assist in school concerts to both show off student skills and raise money for the music programs and instrument repairs on your campus.

How can you help?

Define your need – If you are in need of instruments or have a stash of instruments in need of repair contact us now so we can help you in time for fall classes!

Spread the word – Many faculty and families around you may know of instruments that haven’t been played in years. We will help them give “**Old Instruments, New Life**”.

Restore Arts is your partner in changing the world through music. For more information, please contact us at information@restorearts.org or visit www.restorearts.org.

Arizona Humanities Council Grant Information Sessions – NEW!

Arizona Humanities will be offering free grants workshops for the public this fall in Phoenix and online. Organizations can apply for up to \$10,000 to support their humanities-based project. The grants workshops facilitated by Arizona Humanities staff help prepare participants for submitting a complete and competitive proposal. Non-profit organizations, museums, libraries, archaeological sites, heritage centers, tribal entities, K-12 schools, community colleges, universities, state and local government agencies, and historical societies are eligible to apply for Arizona Humanities grants. **To register for a Grants Workshops and for more information, visit www.azhumanities.org or call 602-257-0335.**

IN-PERSON WORKSHOPS

Thursday, October 30, 2014

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Pueblo Grande Museum & Archaeological Park

4619 E. Washington St.

Phoenix, AZ 85034

ONLINE WEBINARS/CONFERENCE CALLS

Wednesday, October 22, 2014

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 6, 2014

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Thank you for all that you do to support arts education in Arizona! Have information to share with arts educators in our state? Send them to ArtsEd@azed.gov. E-newsletters will be sent out monthly.

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